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To: (b) (6); (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6); (b) (6)
Subject: RE: FOIA Summit
Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2019 10:24:53 AM
Attachments: [RE The FOIA regs published today.msg](#)

Glad to hear from you (b) (6)!

It is great that the shutdown is over – we are glad everyone is back! The PTR FOIA team was down a couple of people due to furloughs, but we kept functioning. We totally understand that IRS will need some time to get up to speed so as to respond to and address any outstanding emails and communications.

Yes we are planning to hold the summit during the Sunshine week in March. We are planning a two day Summit – on Tuesday March 12 we are planning a Treasury-wide summit at OCC and on Wednesday March 13 we are planning a joint (optional) Summit day together with DHS. There will be limited seating for the joint day. We are planning discuss internally and have meeting with DHS tomorrow – so I should be able to get back to you with more details by the end of the week.

Thank you for your question regarding the Treasury FOIA Regulations (b) (6),

The FOIA regulations are at <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=TREAS-DO-2018-0025-0001>

Since there the comment period has expired and there were no comments we are planning to publish them in the current form soon (see attached email). The publication has been delayed due to the shutdown, but OGC is starting the process to publish them. I will be checking with OGC on their progress and will let IRS know when they are published.

Hope this helps and please let me know if you have any other questions, (b) (6)

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Subject: FOIA Summit

Hi (b) (6) -Hope you all fared well during the shutdown. I understand your staff was working since we received multiple emails on FOIAs that came into Treasury. I'm sure that you realized that our FOIA staff were not excepted employees and therefore were not able to respond to those emails. We're working to respond to them now that we've reopened. On another note, we're wondering if you plan to go ahead with the FOIA Summit in March? I'm asking because we are going to need to move fast to get approval for travel funds and before we go through the process, I figured we should be certain that the training will take place. I realize there are many other priorities at this point in time but if you could weigh in, I would appreciate it.

Thanks (b) (6)

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Thanks (b) (6) We're working the issue, and hope to get the regs published soon.

From: (b) (6)
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Subject: RE: The FOIA regs published today
(b) (6),

The shutdown is finally over! Let me know if PTR can help in any way to get the FOIA regulations published.

Thank you everyone for your work on the regulations! (b) (6)

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The final FOIA regulation will not be published until after the government shutdown is over. Once that happens, I'll confer with (b) (6) on what specifically needs to be done before we go final.

Regards,

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OGC and ASM front office:

The comment due date of December 26, 2018 for the Treasury's FOIA Regulations has passed a week ago and we have received no comments by mail, fax (email) nor on regulations.gov:

<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=TREAS-DO-2018-0025-0001>

Since there were no comments we can go ahead and publish the regulations. What are the next steps in doing that?

Thank you and happy New Year to everyone! Paul

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<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/10/26/2018-23447/freedom-of-information-act-regulations>

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